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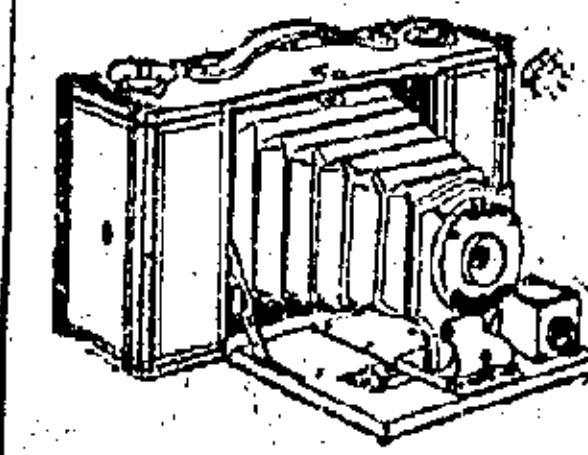


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On the 26th instant, at Bedford, England, the beloved mother of A. H. SKELTON, of Hongkong.

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AGRADECIMENTO.

ANDRE MARIA CARNEIRO DE SILVA, sua esposa e filhos, sumamente pernambucanos e por este meio agradecer a todos os parentes e amigos que se interessaram pelo prolongada enfermidade do seu defunto filho, nos que se dignaram acompanhar os seus restos mortais ate a ultimamente o ocos que o enviram grinaldas, &c. A todos protestam a sua eterna gratidão.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, JANUARY 28TH, 1911.

THE experiment which the British North Borneo Co. have decided to make with a view to obtaining a sufficiency of labour for the development of the estates in the territory will doubtless be watched in other parts of Southern Asia as well as in China.

With much interest it was announced at the shareholders' meeting recently held in London that the directors had decided, in consultation and in co-operation with the Planters' Association, to send a representative to China, who will be accredited to the Chinese Government, and whose duty it will be to establish a labour recruiting agency in China for the immigration of Chinese labour. The officer chosen for this purpose is Mr. Young RIDDELL, who occupied a responsible position of the same kind in connection with Chinese labour for

the Transvaal. The increased immigration will involve the preparation of depots for the reception of the Chinese on arrival, and for their distribution among the estates. The Government, the Chairman added, would not fail to ensure necessary steps being taken for their proper maintenance, medical care, &c. Also every other inducement would be offered to Chinese and others to bring their families to the country, and the Directors are considering how land may be offered on favourable terms to induce them to become permanent residents. According to the report of the meeting this announcement was received by the shareholders with applause. It is, however, questionable whether the scheme will meet with the success the Directors evidently anticipate. We are not aware that any official statistics are published which show the number of women who emigrate from China, but the number must represent a very small proportion of the total. The explanation of this fact is that a moral stigma attaches in the Chinese mind to a woman leaving her country, and in the consequent difficulty which it is said more often than not amounts to an impossibility of obtaining for her the necessary leave of absence from the clan. Sir JOHN BOWRING, in his "Autobiographical Recollections" gives an interesting example of this. "One of the richest Chinese in Samaraang" he writes, "paid me a visit in Canton to beg my assistance in securing permission to take his wife with him to Java. The disgrace attending a married woman's leaving China and the strength of the clan to which she belonged was so great that the most strenuous efforts, combined with the offer of a large sum of money, could not accomplish the desired result." This, it is true, occurred a long time ago, but though the feeling on the subject may not be so strong to-day in the districts where the majority of the emigrants are recruited, it is still a force to be reckoned with. We believe we are correct in saying that of the thousands of emigrants who leave South China every year for the Straits Settlements and neighbouring countries, not 5 per cent. are women. Many of our readers will remember that at the time the Radical politicians in Great Britain were ignorantly proclaiming up and down the country that "Chinese slavery" existed in the Transvaal under the protection of the British flag, one of the statements in support of the allegation was that the Chinese miners were forcibly kept apart from their wives and families for a period of three years. To meet this objection to the employment of Chinese labour the Transvaal Government made provision in the labour importation ordinance for the bringing over of the wives of the coolies at the expense of the mine-owners. What was the result? Over 63,000 coolies were recruited in China, and the probability is that every one of them was married; yet when the opportunity was afforded them to have their wives brought over at the expense of the mine-owners, only about half a dozen availed themselves of this offer getting, with exchange compensation, a salary equivalent to about £1,200 a year, the Civil Service List states the salary as \$7,800. It makes no reference to exchange compensation, which adds about 75 per cent. to the stated amount.

His Excellency the Governor presided at the annual meeting of the Y.M.C.A. and there was a large attendance of members. The report, which showed generally a satisfactory record of progress, was unanimously adopted. The Governor said he would be pleased to accept the presidency of the Association, and to further the work to the best of his ability, and this announcement was received with applause. The election of directors for the ensuing three years resulted in the appointment of Messrs. A. Turner, P. H. Holyoak, J. R. Wood, A. H. Harris and Colonel St. John. Mr. A. Shorey, who was re-appointed auditor, was thanked for his services in the past year.

HUSBAND AND WIFE CASE.

The case in which Loung Kam Wing, assistant comprador for the Hongkong Hotel, was summoned by his wife for failing to support her and her children came on again yesterday at the Magistracy before Mr. J. R. Wood. Mr. Reader Harris appeared for the defendant.

His Worship asked what had taken place in the meantime.

Mr. Harris said that last Monday was the last time he had seen the woman. On that occasion he suggested certain terms to her which she would not accept. He then advised that she should place the matter before the Registrar-General on Wednesday, but she declined to do so. Defendant had offered to support her give her a house and find her pocket money, but she refused.

His Worship reminded complainant that on the last occasion he advised her to make a settlement, and as she had not done so he should dismiss the summons.

SOLDIERS' CLUB BILLIARD TOURNAMENT.

The final games between the R. A. Staff and R. E. "B" Team were played on Thursday evening, and two very close games were witnessed, both being won by the Staff by a very small margin. The following is a complete result of the round:

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Gunner Brown ... 250 Srgt. Giddy 236
Gunner Muir ... 250 Sapper Brown 243

TELEGRAMS.

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THE PLAGUE.

PEKING, January 27th.

There is no serious change in the plague situation. Being unable to obtain serum, the Government has ordered 10,000 doses of vaccine from Vienna.

[REUTER'S SERVICE TO THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS".]

SUICIDE OF A KOREAN EX-MINISTER.

LONDON, January 27th.

A St. Petersburg telegram reports that Prince Chin Pommy (sic), the Korean ex-Minister to the Russian capital, has been found hanged at his residence.

He left a letter to the ex-Emperor of Korea and 2,500 roubles.

THE GERMAN CONSULAR SERVICE.

LONDON, January 27th:

At a conference in Berlin between representatives of commercial interests and the Foreign Office, it was decided that in future candidates for the Consular Service must have a practical knowledge of commerce, industry and shipping.

CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

THE RECIPROCITY AGREEMENT.

LONDON, January 27th.

Details of the Reciprocity Agreement between the United States and Canada are published.

The total amount of the duties remitted by the United States is \$4,850,000, and by Canada \$2,560,000.

LORD CURZON ON FAR EASTERN QUESTIONS.

LONDON, January 27th.

Lord Curzon addressing the students at Glasgow University, said the dismemberment of China appears to have been arrested and the question is: Will she unite with Japan and share the leadership in the Far East?

RE-ORGANISATION OF THE PORTUGUESE NAVY.

LONDON, January 27th.

In connection with the statement made by the Portuguese Foreign Minister a week ago as to the re-organisation of the fleet, a Lisbon message to the "Daily News" says that the aim of the Government is to secure British types of warships which

would be able to protect the coasts in the event of war without depending upon the assistance of Great Britain. The expenditure, which would be spread over a long period, was estimated at £20,000,000.

GERMAN CROWN PRINCE.

LONDON, January 27th.

The German Crown Prince has arrived at Allahabad after a successful shoot in the Mirzapur jungle.

[FROM THE MANILA CABLENEWS.]

PRESIDENT TAFT AND UNIVERSAL PEACE.

Washington, Jan. 23.

President Taft yesterday sent another message to Congress urging the fortification of the Panama Canal. The President in the course of his message said that the era of universal peace was very far distant despite the titanic efforts of the advocates of peace to usher it in at once. Therefore he urged as a matter of national precaution to guard the country's peace by preparing for such an eventuality as war to begin at once the fortification of the Canal. President Taft asks for \$5,000,000 to begin the fortifications.

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OTTO KONG SING.
Hongkong, 28th January, 1911. [253]

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CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

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Hongkong, 28th January, 1911. [251]

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TUESDAY, the 30th and 31st inst., respectively.

Hongkong, 25th January, 1911. [225]

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Hongkong, 25th January, 1911. [225]

CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

From the 31st January, 1911, and until the
2nd February, 1911, both days included, only
Train timed to leave Canton (Tai Shu Tou) at
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at 4 p.m. will run.

The Ordinary Train Service will be resumed
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By Order,

THE ADMINISTRATION.
Canton, 24th January, 1911. [241]

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T. F. HOUGH,
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Hongkong, 25th January, 1911. [232]

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Hongkong, 23rd January, 1911. [215]

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Hongkong, 19th January, 1911. [33]

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THE FOURTEENTH ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING of SHARE-
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No. 6, Connaught Road, THIS DAY
(SATURDAY), 23rd January, 1911, at 11.30
A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement
of Accounts and the Report of the General
Manager for the year ending 31st December,
1910, declaring a Dividend and electing a
Consulting Committee and Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 23rd
January, 1911, until SATURDAY, the 28th
January, 1911, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
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Hongkong, 28th January, 1911. [180]

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
TENTH ORDINARY MEETING of
SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the
Company's Office, Victoria
Buildings, on SATURDAY, the 4th February
1911, at 12 Noon, for the purpose of receiving
the Report of the Directors together with a
Statement of Accounts for the year ending
31st December, 1910.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company
will be CLOSED from THURSDAY,
26th January, to SATURDAY, 4th February
(both days inclusive), during which period no
transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 17th January, 1911. [204]

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE EIGHTY-NINTH ORDINARY
HALF-YEARLY MEETING of
SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the
Office of the Company, Hotel
Missions, on TUESDAY, the 21st February,
at 12 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of receiving
the Report of the Directors, together with a
Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend,
confirming the appointment of a Director and
electing Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from 7th to 21st February,
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By Order of the Board of Directors.

W. E. CLARKE,
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Hongkong, 24th January, 1911. [229]

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ELECTRIC DENTISTRY.

A model dental surgery has attracted much attention at the International Dental Exhibition in London. A prominent part of the equipment has been a maple switchboard with aluminum fittings, the dozen or more switches controlling the electric current for such novel appliances as an electrical mouth lamp, an electric canter for cutting away the overgrowth of gums, an electrical heater for keeping antiseptic solutions at blood temperature, an electric roof-drier, an electric hot-air syringe for massaging diseased gums and at the same time spraying them with antiseptics, an electric air compressor; an electric lathe, and so on.

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MOVING PICTURES BY X-RAYS.

Moving X-ray pictures have been given special attention by J. Carvallo, of the Marey Institute in Paris, and he claims to have overcome the difficulties, including that of producing instantaneous impressions on the photographic film. He has successfully shown the digestive processes of chickens, mice, frogs and other animals. The food of the animals was mixed with basic bismuth nitrate, and special cinematographic apparatus was devised for taking and reproducing the successive views of the stomach and intestines during digestion. With this apparatus exposure of the intermittently moving film can be made at intervals varying from the small fraction of a second to an hour, the process being continued automatically for periods ranging up to a week or more. The film is made extra sensitive by a coating of double thickness, and the pictures are of unusual size—about 2½ inches square. The X-rays are produced by a self-regulating bulb, with a Carpenter induction coil having an interrupter of great rapidity. The breaks are less than 1/1000 of a second, and the current closing is adjustable by spiral springs, 1/100 of a second giving good pictures with a moderate current.

A LIGHT-DRUGHT BOAT.

A tubular power boat lately constructed is about 30 feet long over all, but draws only 3 inches of water when carrying several passengers, and has a speed of 18 knots an hour. A 5 horse-power petrol engine furnishes motive power. The two closed cigar-shaped tubes are of galvanized iron, each 1 foot in diameter and divided into three water-tight compartments, and they are coupled together to support a rail-platform 14 feet long. The engine is on a second platform 3½ feet wide. The rudder is placed between the tubes at the bow, and thus effects steering with little loss of speed in turning.

A LESSON IN PLOUGHING.

The cost of ploughing by steam, horse and electricity has been compared in late German experiments. The working day in each case was 12 hours, and heavy soil was ploughed to a depth of 12 inches. The cost for 60 acres was about \$200 by steam; \$160 by horse; \$145 by a two-machine electric plough; and \$125 by a one-machine electric plough.

THE ATOM'S PARTS.

The electron having been proven a fundamental part of matter and constituent of the atom in every element, Dr. J. A. Crowther, of Cambridge, Eng., has made experiments to analyze the atom, and find out how many electrons it contains. The "B" rays of radium which are simply negative electrons moving with such velocity that they can pass through quite thick solid materials, were selected as a means of analysis. These rapidly moving electrons penetrate the atom and coming into collision with electrons already there, are deflected from their original path. Every new collision causes a new deflection. The total deflection of the B particle in its passage through a sheet of material can be measured, and this makes it possible to calculate the number of particles with which it has collided. By this method, it was shown that the hydrogen atom, the lightest known, contains just three electrons, the number in heavier atoms being proportionally greater.

MILK POWDER BY FREEZING.

Milk powder is produced in the process of Leconte and Lainville by the application of cold instead of heat. Either whole or skimmed milk is poured into rectangular vessels like those used in ice-making, and is cooled to about 28.5 Fahr. day, in such a way that it becomes fine snow instead of a solid mass. The frozen milk is then revolved very rapidly in a centrifugal

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SEWAGE PRODUCTS.

In the distillation of sewage sludge in the course of laboratory experiments, A. H. Valentine, British chemist, has obtained 7 to 12 per cent. of grease valued at \$100 a ton. The residue, which burned readily, had nearly as much nitrogen as the original sludge. The chemical and physical properties suggested some value as a fertilizer, and trial on carrots, beets and potatoes resulted in an increase of 15 to 25 per cent. in weight of yield.

NITROGEN POWER.

LATEST MOTIVE PROPOSAL.

It is a fond dream among the more imaginative of scientific men that some day, if man is able to hitch his wagon to a star, he will harness the heat of the sun and the strength of the tides and compel them to do the industrial work which is now indifferently performed by coal. Other more daring, and perhaps less scientific, have thought that we may some day tap the vast stores of nitrogen laid up in the earth's envelope of air, and transmit it to the human body without the necessity of its passing through the intervening medium of corn or other food.

Pending the consummation of the idea one must be content with a scheme just put forward for propelling the machinery of the world with nitrogen. Particulars of the scheme are few, but the outline may be briefly stated. It is that the cloud of smoke going up a chimney is captured, and the gases are refined out of it until only pure nitrogen is left. The pure nitrogen is compressed in cylinders under pressure up to 3,000lb. per square inch, and there, it is said, you have your motive force for driving machinery of all kinds. It is said that when the scheme is put on a commercial basis nitrogen power robots will be set up all over England, so that owners of motor-cars, omnibuses, and vehicles generally may be supplied with the new force.

An expert to whom the report was submitted by a Press representative was not inclined to take the matter very seriously; indeed, his thoughts lay in the way of scepticism. "It seems an echo of my childhood's day," he said, "for I have heard something of the kind for many years. The plan takes various forms. At one time the tidal flow up and down the Thames is to be utilised as a motive force; then the Atlantic is to be pressed into our service; and, even the sun's rays have not been left out of consideration. Now I do not deny, neither does any scientific man, I think, that the power in tide and ocean and sun would be invaluable in our work-a-day world. The forces of the tidal Thames, for instance, would probably be sufficient to turn every wheel in the United Kingdom. But the great difficulty has always been that of harnessing the forces to our needs. How are we going to capture the tide and the sun's heat and the nitrogen of the atmosphere? I see from this report that the cloud of smoke that goes up a chimney is to be refined by blowing it upon copper in a retort, taking away the carbonic acid in liquid form, removing the black carbon, and leaving pure than the steam which drives a steam engine. The process is very much like that of analysing gases from a chimney which is in common use in many electrical works for the purpose of obtaining efficiency of combustion. Carbonic acid in liquid form is spoken of, but the term so loosely used might apply to a penny bottle of ginger beer. Then we hear of nitrogen which is non-explosive, yet infinitely more powerful than the steam which drives the steam-engine. But what is nitrogen in reality? It is an absolutely inert gas, incapable of doing anything of itself. It will not, for instance, rust iron as oxygen will do. As a gas it has no more power than say, a glass of water, that is, if it is at a normal temperature and under a normal pressure. The nitrogen, we are told, is to be put under pressure of 3,000lb. to the square inch. This is a far different matter than using nitrogen in its ordinary state, and what is of particular importance is that nitrogen cannot be compressed except at considerable expense. To obtain the desired end, and pack it into the cylinder, you must employ mechanical or chemical methods, and neither of these can be done without cost. So that, in the first place, you must incur a great outlay before your nitrogen is ready to supersede steam or petrol as a motive power.

Heretofore it has not been found possible to transport power without waste, and we still the await the day when, say, bags of steam can be handed out to manufacturers as they require it. In the same way if you wish to sell nitrogen at high pressure you must use a retort containing cylinders, which are not the safest objects to handle. If you want to use a 60 horse-power car for five hours you require 310 horse-power, and that is easily reducible to foot-pounds of energy. This must be stored up, and—the method has not yet been perfected—a little at a time. But if there were a slight defect in the apparatus, and the whole force of the nitrogen became operative at once—the worm will turn, you know, and even non-explosive, harmless, inert nitrogen might be a little troublesome if you sat on its head when it is being released suddenly from a pressure of 3,000lb. to the square inch.

I readily admit that science has made vast strides of late, and the day may possibly come when we shall see nitrogen harnessed somewhat after the manner suggested. You remember the story that came out a short time ago of the genius who deprived the world of nitrogen and left mankind in an exhausted state similar to that of the mouse at the bottom of the bell-jar filled with oxygen in the well-known class experiment. All the folk went wild with excitement, and committed the most extraordinary extravagances. The report you have put before me suggests that an attempt has made to give the other side of the picture, but I would not say for a moment that it is fiction. The history of science proves that the wildest imaginings of to-day may become the sober fact of to-morrow.

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NEW C.P.R. LINERS FOR THE PACIFIC.

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The Victoria Colonist of the 23rd ultimo says:—

Contracts will be awarded within the next few days for the construction of two faster and larger trans-Pacific *Empresses* for the C.P.R. as well as for two large and fast Atlantic *Empresses* for the improvement to the Company's trans-Atlantic fleet. Mr. Arthur Piers, manager of the steamship services of the C.P.R., who has now under his management a fleet of 67 vessels engaged in the various ocean and coasting and river services of the Canadian corporation, is in Montreal, having brought from England tenders submitted by a number of British shipbuilding firms for the construction of the four new liners—two for the Pacific and two for the Atlantic. The plans, specifications and the tenders were placed before a meeting of the C.P.R. at Montreal a week ago and discussed. All the directors were present at the meeting, and it was stated that an official announcement will be made within a few days as to the awarding of the contracts.

EXHAUSTIVE REPORTS.

The plans prepared for the new liners have been made after long consideration and thorough inquiry. For the past two years reports have been made by the different masters of the trans-Pacific steamers concerning the conditions prevailing at the various ports of call, and the nature of the business procurable. Similar reports have been made by the Atlantic lines, and after careful consideration plans were made some time ago. The first set of plans provided did not meet with the approval of the directors, and a new set was prepared and accepted, and tenders were invited by Mr. Piers upon those at various British shipbuilding centres. These were the tenders submitted to the directors of the C.P.R. at Montreal a week ago. It is generally submitted that the plans provide for vessels which will be superior to any now in service from Canadian ports on the Atlantic or Pacific.

MORE SPEED—MORE SILK.

The C. P. R. *Empresses* of the Pacific lead at present in carrying the silk trade from Japan, and with faster steamers running across the Pacific will secure a still greater amount of this trade, speed being the chief requisite. The freight charged on this business is no less than six cents a pound between Yokohama and New York, and it is a paying business. The *Empresses* at one time secured the bulk of the passenger traffic across the Pacific from Oriental ports, but since the entry into the Pacific trade of the larger Pacific Mail liners, the *Siberia*, *Korea*, *Manchuria* and *Mongolia*, much of this business has been diverted. The *Empresses* still hold the record for the fastest time across the Pacific, and with the coming of the newer *Empresses*, with accommodation superior to that of the Pacific Mail vessels, it is probable that they will handle a large amount of the saloon travel.

EMPEROR HOLDS RECORD.

The Pacific record is held by the R.M.S. *Empress of Japan*, which made the voyage ten years ago from Yokohama to Victoria—a distance of 4,200 miles—in ten days and ten hours. The *Korea* about four years ago made the trip from Yokohama on a forced run with special stokers and picked coal in ten days and eleven hours. These times have not been equalled. With the coming of the new *Empresses* quicker times are expected. Those now in service are operated at an average speed of about fifteen knots, making the run in twelve days. With a speed of 18 knots an hour the voyage would be made in ten days, which, with the difference in time, would mean about nine calendar days for the run from Yokohama to Victoria.

READY IN 1912.

The new liners of the C.P.R. are to be ready for service by the spring of 1912, when it is anticipated that changes will be made in the Atlantic and Pacific services, which will result in a much more frequent and faster service being given between Hongkong and London by way of Victoria and eastern Canadian ports.

Another trans-Pacific service which is to be improved shortly also is the Canadian-Australian line, the development of this service being subject to the arrangements to be made next month when Sir James Mills, manager of the line, confers with the Australian Government with regard to the new mail contract. If the arrangements are satisfactory orders will be given for the construction of two steamers of 12,000 ton capacity, provided with the best of modern passenger accommodation, superior to that of the steamer *Makura*. Plans for the liners have been made.

THE KING'S VISIT TO DELHI.

CHOICE OF HEADQUARTERS.

News from India shows that the greatest interest is being taken in the forthcoming visit of the King for the Coronation Durbar. For some time past the question of the most suitable place for his Majesty's headquarters at Delhi has been debated. When the King and Queen, as Prince and Princess of Wales, visited that city in December, 1903, they were lodged at the Circuit House, built by Lord Curzon, but it is now considered that this is scarcely an ideal Imperial residence and attention is being given to the possibility of rendering the Palace of the Mogul Emperors a suitable lodging for King George. Keen interest has been displayed in this idea by the native population, and, should it be capable of execution, it would be a noble token of the continuity of the Indian Empire.

The Palace of Delhi, at present more generally spoken of as "the fort," owes its origin to Shah Jehan, the most magnificent of the royal builders of India, and was erected during the second quarter of the seventeenth century, largely from the materials of the half deserted older city of Sher Shah. Many of the works of the new capital were still unfinished at the time when the Emperor was deposed by his youngest son, Aurangzeb, and a pathetic story is told of the father's desire to see the last of his architectural creations—a request which the usurper would only grant with conditions too humiliating to be accepted. It was during the early years of the reign of Aurangzeb that Delhi and its palace reached the zenith of their glory. The story of the magnificence of the Mogul court came in those days, to be told throughout Europe by returning travelers, and Bernier speaks of the jewels of the Peacock Throne (carried away in later years by the Persian invaders) as being valued at four and a-half million pounds.

Since the Mutiny much of the palace has been destroyed in order to make room for English barracks, but a portion, and that probably the most beautiful, still remains. The halls of public and private audience, the music hall, the entrance hall, and the Rang Mahal still exist, retaining much of their original splendour, and

could be placed in still better condition. The vaulted hall, 375 feet long, has been described by Mr. Ferguson, in his "History of Architecture," as "the noblest entrance to any existing palace," and the private audience hall, or diwan-i-khas, is said to be the most elaborate of all Jehan's buildings. None who has visited this portion of the palace can forget the inscription which runs over the arches: "If there is a heaven on earth, it is this—it is this!" The arrangement of the arches in this hall is particularly graceful, and the original beauty of the walls can still be imagined, and partly seen, in spite of the degradations made by the Mahratta conquerors.

The place has been the scene of many triumphs and of many evil deeds. It was here that the mutinous soldiers proclaimed their king in May, 1857, and it was here too that Colonel Jones, of the 6th Rifles, proposed the health of the Queen, on the capture of the palace four months later. In the hall of public audience is the recess in which the seventeenth-century European travellers saw the Peacock Throne, and there is probably no building in a land of magnificence in which scenes of more wonderful display have taken place.

The music gallery is also a handsome building, but its appearance has been somewhat spoiled by certain modern growths, notably by various domestic offices, which might well be removed. The Rang Mahal, at one time a part of the royal zemman, is now used as an officers' mess-room, and it is believed that some of the coloured decorations for which it was famous could still be recovered. The walls of the fort rise 110ft. from the ditch below and are built of red sandstone, and the area covered, exclusive of the gateways, is 1,600ft. east and west, by 320ft. north and south.

During Lord Curzon's Vicereignty a great deal was done in the way of skilful restoration, and the palace is still a fitting one for the Emperor of India. Should his Majesty be lodged there the incident would be one of historic interest, not untouched with political importance. Anything further which might be done towards the restoration of ancient beauties would be equally welcome, and it is fitting to recall certain words of his Majesty's speech on his previous visit to Delhi:—"The beautiful city which is in your keeping has been the scene of many stirring incidents and splendid pageants. She seems to have the power, inherent in some great capitals, of attracting and compelling attention, and to the Princess and myself this visit will be rich in reflections on the past and in thoughts of the future."

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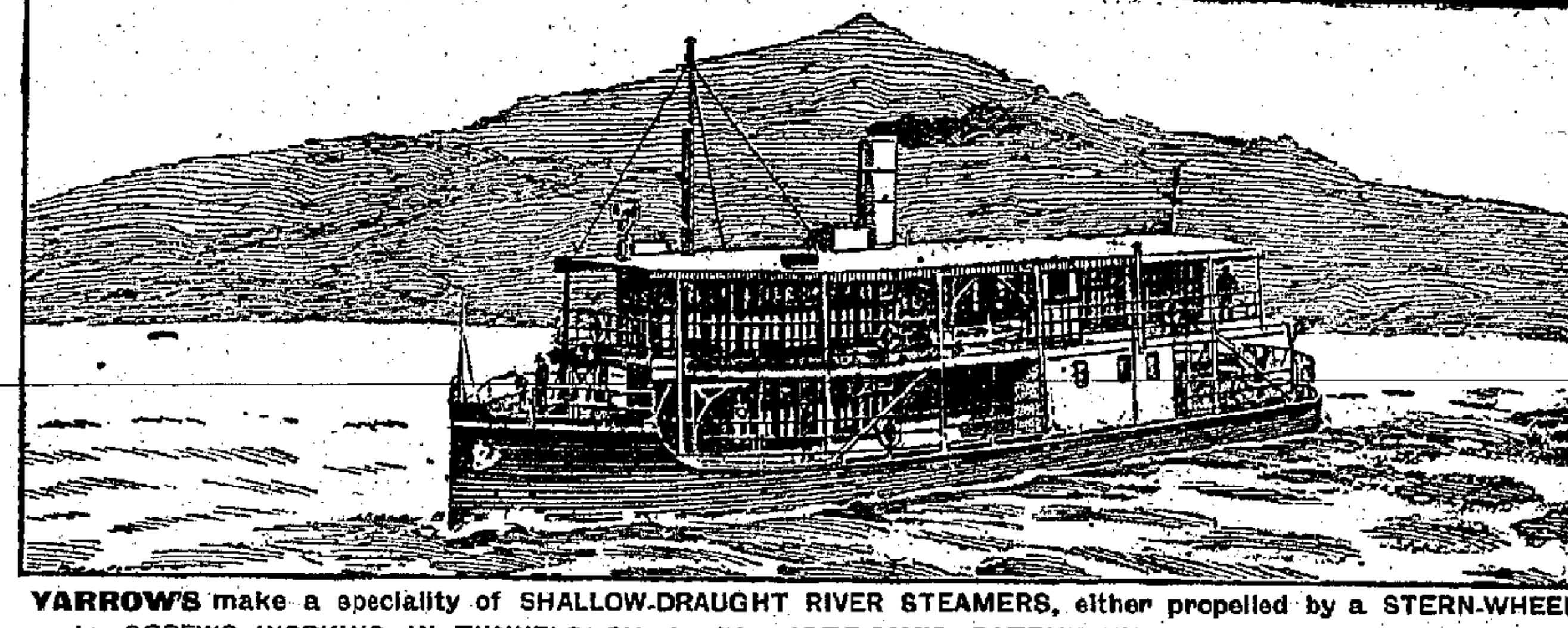
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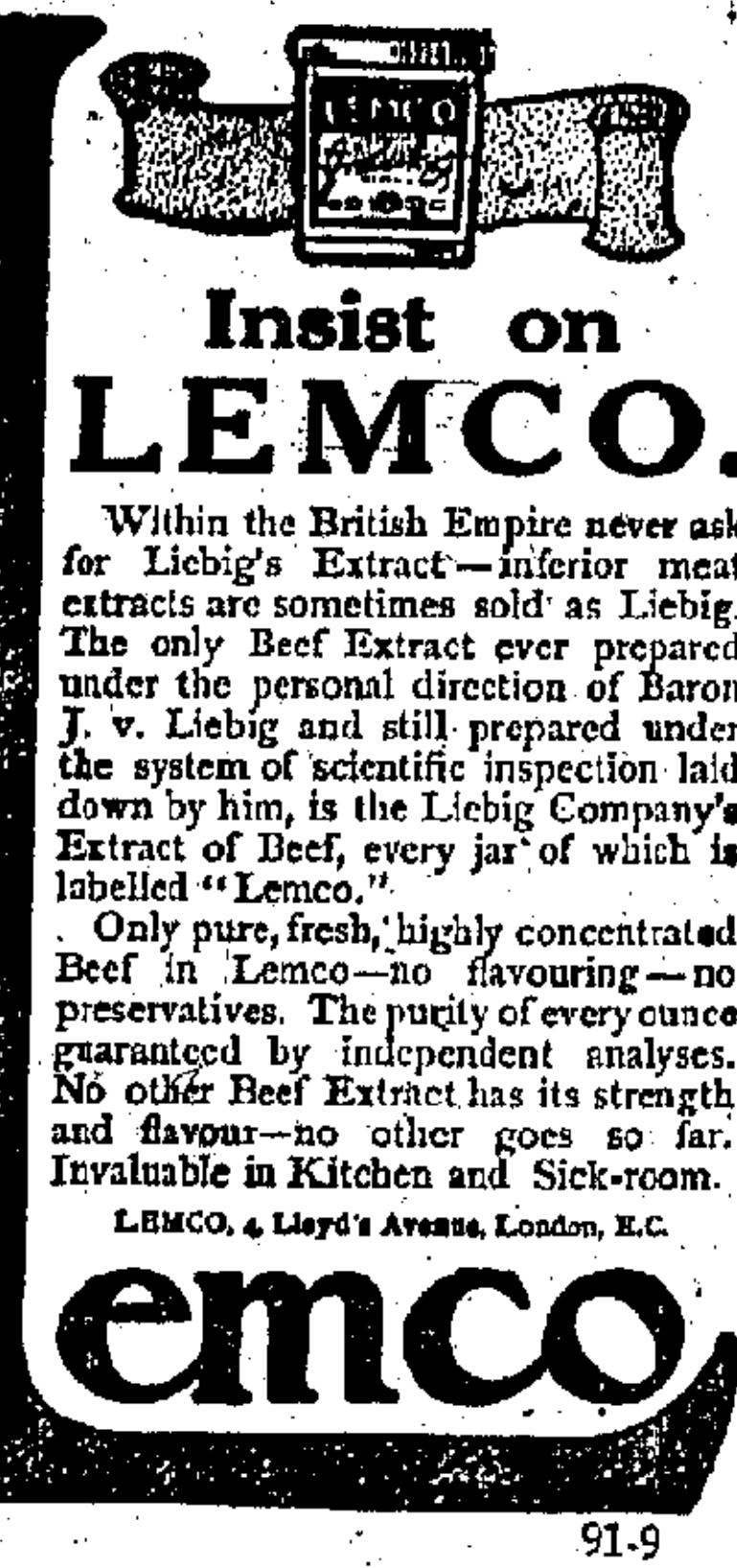
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UENA, THE GEISHA QUEEN,
OR
THE PLAY-GROUND OF PASSION.BY CHARLES J. H. HALCOMBE.
(Author of "The Mystic Flower Land," "Children of Far Cathay," etc.)CHAPTER IV.
GATHERING THE DEW.

Day was high when Merton suddenly awoke with a cold shiver to find that night had eradicated all the warmth from the air and given to it a dewy freshness which, though not altogether conducive to sleep, was most invigorating and drove away the mosquitoes.

For a moment he felt dazed, wondered where he was, for the last he had inhabited on the previous night had given him a headache. Then, rising and shaking himself, he put on his coat and went to the window. The moon was still shining, though with a more subdued light, and the Eastern sky was radiant with the golden glow of early dawn. The sheen of molten metal was upon the waters, which just bended with the light respirations of a ground-swell, and before him a serrated mass of wet snowy blossoms, interspersed with other colours, filled the air with fragrance.

Impressed with the solemn grandeur of the scene and the deathlike silence which prevailed on all sides, he was standing there rapt in vague contemplation when the stillness was broken by a faint rustling in the garden. He looked in the direction indicated by the sound and at once despaired a dark figure moving across the white background of flowers.

Wondering who could be abroad at that early hour, he stepped out upon the balcony in order to obtain a better view; and, as he did so, the figure turned towards him. It was the mysterious "goisha girl" in whom he was interested.

Acting on the impulse of the moment, he re-entered the room and, hastily making himself as presentable as possible, quietly made his way downstairs. No one appeared to be stirring in the house, and all was peaceful. The front door stood open, and on gaining the verandah he found his shoes exactly where he had left them on the previous evening. They had been cleaned and polished with scrupulous care. While putting them on, he glanced around and saw the up-to-morn cleaning some fish at a tub of water which stood close to the house.

Kowtowing most reverentially, he regarded the Englishman with a look of grave inquiry, but did not speak; and as Merton passed down the steps into the garden and strolled across the lawn, the man paused from his occupation and watched him with evident suspicion.

The young girl was still standing in the same place, and was bending over a cluster of white lilies from which she appeared to be gathering the dew into a small glass phial. As Merton approached, however, she raised her head and looked a little embarrassed. He felt equally so, and half regretted his timidity in having ventured into her presence. Notwithstanding, he put a bold face on the matter, and, smiling blandly bowed to her. Not knowing her language, yet feeling that he must say something, he spoke in his own, apologizing for his intrusion.

"Because they are absurdly superstitious," he said rather bluntly. "If I were the priest, I should drink some *saké* first, and then water after. Perhaps they do."

"You may be right, sir," she answered, speaking in a tone of mild reproof, "but, with all due respect to your convictions, I assure you that many great truths lie hidden beneath the strange lore and rites of Eastern peoples. In like manner legends more often than not originate from forgotten realities; and we are told that every vision of the mind and every high ideal of the human heart is but a dim reflection of things which actually exist in the world."

She acknowledged his greeting with reassuring affability and courtesy.

"Pray do not apologize," she said, speaking English with careful deliberation and with a pretty accent. "Assure you, sir, that you are quite welcome here."

"You speak excellent English!" he exclaimed with ill-concealed wonder and admiration. "For she seemed fairer than any woman I have ever seen."

"You appear to be rather surprised," she observed with a smile, nervously twirling with the petals of a lily.

"I am indeed surprised," he responded warmly. "I never expected to have the pleasure of hearing my native tongue spoken with such fluency by a Japanese lady."

"Why not?" she laughed, showing her pearly teeth and arching her brows in mock surprise. "My father, who was a great linguist, taught me to speak English when I was a mere child, and now it is all the fashion. Many Japanese ladies who cannot speak a word of any European language, dress as Europeans. Of course, it is right and proper to do so."

"In fact," she added with just a touch of sarcasm, "our language will soon be discarded altogether and only English taught and spoken in our schools. And those who wish to show themselves true patriots will learn your language and adopt your customs. You see, sir, we aspire to a higher and newer civilization."

He hardly knew whether to take her seriously.

"And the English people," he said, "go into ecstasies over the softness and melodiousness of the Japanese language, though we are poor linguists ourselves and cannot learn to speak it properly. Indeed, we are quite charmed with the Japanese: you are all so kind and open-hearted and everything about your country is so artistic and so refreshingly quaint and primitive."

"These are the lungs of the plant," she said, regarding him with sympathetic attention as he stooped down to examine the leaf; "for plants breathe like we do, and air, light and motion are as necessary to their existence as to ours. Indeed the affinity between animal and vegetable life is so marked that it is difficult to determine the point of difference between them, or, at least, where plant life, causes, and animal life commences."

"But what plant are you?" he asked.

"I mean to say, are there male and female plants?"

"Indeed there are," she replied laughingly, "and believe me, sir, in most of them the spiritual possessions of mankind are all duplicated in plant life the organs of which are of great sensibility. If you were to hold the leaves of certain plants in your hand for a few hours during a particular time they would become yellow and withered, whereas if I held them they would retain all their freshness and remain the same. And vice versa."

"Why is that?"

"I will not say why, but that is so."

"Strange!" he ejaculated a trifle dubiously.

He now tried to gather into his bottle the drops of dew from a lily. But they proved to be most elusive, and his hands trembled, so he only succeeded in scattering them upon the ground. She quickly noticed this, but did not make any remark; and at length he began to feel annoyed with himself for his clumsiness. Hoping to see her smile, and imagining that she was making fun of him, he got angry.

"I am sorry I can't help you," he said, dismally handing her back the phial; "but, really I don't see the use of it, anyhow—one might just as well try to bottle small rain."

"It is very good of you to have tried to assist me, and I am much obliged," she said with sweet gracefulness; "but, like everything else, it requires practice. I am afraid, too, you find the air rather raw and cold; it is not good for those unaccustomed to the climate. For the sun has not yet risen."

She acknowledged the compliment with a bow.

"I'm paradoxical, I am and yet I am not professional," she answered with some frankness.

"I sometimes sing in public, and it is profitable.

It makes a means of accomplishing that upon which my heart is set—of furthering the cause to which my life is dedicated. I love the goishas and they love me, but I am not really one of them!"

"They seem to perfectly idolize you," he remarked.

"I am afraid we are rather a demonstrative people," she said with a smile. "Have you been long in Japan?"

"No, I only came yesterday. This is my first visit to the land of the Rising Sun, though I have been in China nearly four years. I suppose you have never ventured so far as the Celestial Empire?"

"Yes, I have. Two years ago I had an engagement to sing at the Kow Shing theatre in Hongkong, and afterwards I paid a flying visit to Foochow, Amoy and Shanghai. I greatly enjoyed the trip and learned much from the Celestials."

"I live in Shanghai," she said interestingly.

"What did you think of our English Settlement?"

"I only saw it by night. It looked quite a fairyland with its broad band and palatial houses and its romantic gardens and stately avenue of trees lighted by electricity and enhanced by the swift shimmering waters of the Huang-pu river."

"I see you are romantic as well as artistic," he said with appreciation. "I am very rude, but may I ask your name?" Mine is Guy Merton."

"Uena is my humble name," she replied with a graceful inclination of the head.

She now went over a tall purple flower like an iris and deftly swept its glittering drops of dew from her small bottle.

For a while he watched her attentively.

"You seem to be gathering the dew," he ventured to remark as she looked up with an amiable smile. "Surely there is no virtue in it?"

"Nothing in the world is without a virtue if we but only know it," she replied, proceeding with her work. "The dew I am collecting is impregnated with the exhalations of certain plants which possess chemical properties of rare value."

"If that is the case," he said somewhat incredulously, "why not immerse the plants in pure water and then extract their essence by some simpler method instead of taking all this trouble? The dew itself has no virtue."

She looked amused.

"Nature can accomplish in a single night what man might take months to do. Living as you do in China, I dare say you have heard much from the wise Sons of Man regarding the sweet dew and other subtle essences which fall to the Earth between sunset and sunrise; and probably you know that when a Chinese near wishes to increase his supernatural powers he drinks pure spring water and sleeps out in the dew, and that at midnight on the seventh day of the seventh month Chinese priests and others place small quantities of holy water out in the dew and then drink it."

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But she soon recovered from the shock and came happily tripping back in company with the other *maidenas* who had come to see him off.

After each had bowed and shaken hands with him, the young girl who spoke a little English informed him that O Siao-San would feel honoured if he would condescend to allow her to show him the way to the English Settlement. He gratefully accepted the offer, and amidst reiterated "Ho! ho!" and the waving of fans and handkerchiefs, accompanied his blushing guide down the garden to the beach.

Having arrived at the wooden gate at the bottom of the lawn he paused and looking back kissed his hand to the ladies, at the same time eagerly glancing up at the window to see if he could catch a glimpse of Uen. But she was not visible.

Keeping to the right, they followed the sandy beach for some distance and then turned into a narrow path which led up a steep incline to the top of the cliff which was thickly covered with young trees and other vegetation through which they passed. Soon afterwards they came to a broad asphalted path which wound its way down the hillside, and as they rounded one of its bends the landing stage near the Canal bridge suddenly came in view only a short distance below them. O Siao-San stopped abruptly and pointed to his destination.

"I go!" she said, spreading her fan and inclining her head in an attitude of meek submission as she turned to him.

"You're a little brat!" he exclaimed, grasping both her hands. But at this juncture their leave-taking was unexpectedly interrupted by the appearance of two elderly women and a child; so the small *maidenas* discreetly turned her steps homeward and waving adieu as she went left the incorrigible Merton to pursue his way alone—with flowers in his hat and flowers in his coat and flowers in his hand.

Having crossed the Canal bridge and was walking towards the landing stage when he heard steps behind him and the familiar voice of Captain Splice.

"But, Mr. Merton! Going to a wedding?"

"It was the skipper's greeting. I'm glad you're not dead, anyhow. I've been taking the town over for you, and one spindle-legged joker in a kimono put me a yam as long as a barbers' pole about some white man who had died this morning of an overdose of harbour water—a poisonous death, eh? I thought it couldn't be worse than there was any whisky left in the world. Where've you been all night?"

"I've been roosting among some of the prettiest little birds I have ever seen!"

"I expect so," was the dry retort: "real birds of Paradise—they're common in these parts."

"No, joking apart, they're good girls," said Merton seriously. "But I feel awfully dry and seedy."

"You look a bit jaundiced," observed the skipper. "I prescribe a real American cocktail, and that can't be got here. So we'll go aboard. It's about time for breakfast. But take those posies out of your bonnet—you look like a May queen."

"Have you shipped the coals?" asked Merton, quietly dismantling himself of the flowers.

"Yes, long ago; and steam is up! So they went aboard the yacht."

"(To be Continued.)

"Well, I'll be hanged: she takes the cake!" he soliloquized with a cynical laugh, lighting a cigarette and casting himself down upon the cushions. "Fancy a scientific, philosophical goisha girl! Who ever heard of such a thing?"

"She's devilish good looking though, and she knows it!" he added, rising and going to the window through which he cautiously peeped. But nothing was to be seen of the fair Uena, so he returned to his couch in a mony and restless frame of mind.

An hour or more passed and he had almost succeeded in going to sleep again when he heard someone at the door and looking up saw his little friend, O Siao-San, enter the room bearing a tray.

"Ohio! Ohio! Ijin-San, Merton," she murmured, presenting her burden to him on bended knee.

"Upon my word, you are a perfect angel!" he cried, kissing her hand and gratefully receiving the tray which contained tea, rice-oakles and a small porcelain bottle of *saké*. The latter, though not usually drunk so early in the day, had been added with admirable forethought by the kindly little maiden who would have remained kneeling before him had he not raised her up and made signs for her to go and get her own breakfast.

He did not like *saké* any more than Chinese *sanshu*, but he was thirsty and his nerves required a stimulant, so he poured it into the tea and eagerly drained the cup.

Having partaken of this slight repast, he made his toilette as best he could, and hearing that the household was astir, went downstairs. The *maidenas* were gliding about the house and their merry voices and the bright sunshine proved so enlivening in spite of his headache, Merton felt more gay and youthful than ever, and in the exuberance of his spirits he laughed and chaffed the girls and felt downright sorry that he could not permanently take up his abode there.

"I pay," she repeated, looking mystified.

"Yes, give me the bill."

Slipping her foot out of her sandals, she hurried indoors, repeating to herself the words *bill* and *bill*. He heard her speaking to the other girls. Presently she reappeared, and with a beaming face handed him a dainty missive adorned with birds and lotus blossoms.

He kept a watchful eye for the queenly Uena, but she did not put in an appearance; so after a harmless flirtation with O Siao-San, who showed him round the garden and made him a bouquet of flowers, he concluded that it was time to take his departure. For he felt the need of a pick-me-up, and his stock of cigarettes required replenishing.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

BRISGOVIA, German str., 1,234, Girstenbriu, 27th Jan.—Shanghai 24th Jan., General—Hamburg-American Line.
GLENFALLOCH, British str., 1,454, J. A. Mason, 27th Jan.—Penang 16th and Singapore 19th Jan., General—Joo Tak Seug.
HAIMUN, British str., 641, A. H. Stewart, 27th January—Swatow 26th January, General—Douglas, Tapnuk & Co.
HANGSANG, British str., 1,356, Spencer Wilde, 27th Jan.—Shanghai and Swatow 26th Jan., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
MEFOO, Chinese str., 1,339, G. Froberg, 27th Jan.—Shanghai 24th January, General—C. M. S. N. Co.
PHENOMENI, British str., 1,065, Jas. H. Scott, 27th Jan.—Siagon 22nd January, Rice—Wo Fat Sing.
PRINZ WALDEMAR, German str., 1,737, F. Isoko, 27th Jan.—Yokohama 20th January, General—Melschers & Co.
RUDI, British str., 2,797, S. A. Crosby, 27th January—Cebu, Illoilo and Manila 24th January, General—Shewan, Tomes & Co.
SHIMONA, British str., 2,700, F. G. Firmin, 25th Jan.—Siangha 23rd Jan., General—Dowdell & Co.
TAMINO, British str., 1,350, G. H. Pennington, 27th Jan.—Manila 24th Jan., General—Butterfield & Swire.

CLEARANCES.
AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.

Chico Maria, Japanese str., for San Francisco.
Fengtien, British str., for Shanghai.
Glicofaloch, British str., for Amoy.
Haiyang, British str., for Saigon.
Kaga Maru, Japanese str., for Takao.
Loongsang, British str., for Manila.
Loyal, German str., for Saigon.
Marie, German str., for Saigon.
Meifor, Chinese str., for Canton.
Sanson, German str., for Bangkok.
Siuan, British str., for Haiphong.
Tjilin, Dutch str., for Batavia.

DEPARTURES.

27th January.
DUCFAK, Norwegian str., for Bangkok.
HOLSTEIN, German str., for Toulane.
KWANGLIE, Chinese str., for Shanghai.
PERSIA, Austrian str., for Singapore.
RYGA, Norwegian str., for Moji.
TAIWAN, British str., for Saigon.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. *Rohi* reports: Fine weather.
The British str. *Phenomeni* reports: Mod. weather throughout the voyage.
The British str. *Haiyang* reports: Mod. Northerly wind, fine and clear weather.
The British str. *Shimona* reports: Fine weather, moderate N.E. monsoon during the trip.
The British str. *Glenfalloch* reports: Fresh monsoon; moderate sea and clear throughout the passage.
The British str. *Tamino* reports: Moderate N.E. wind, high N.E. swell, fine and clear weather, moderating towards arrival.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE INDIAN MAIL.
The Indo-China str. *Namsang* from Calcutta and the Straits left Singapore for this port on the 21st instant.

The Indo-China str. *Laisang* left Calcutta for the Straits and Hongkong the 17th inst., and is due here on the 2nd prox.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M.M. str. *Saracie* with the French Mail of the 1st instant, and mails from London of the 31st ultimo, left Singapore on the 24th instant, at 6 a.m., and is expected to arrive here on the 31st instant morning.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The E. & A. str. *St. Albans* left Sydney on the 18th instant for this port, (via Queensland Ports, Timor and Manila) and is due here on the 10th prox.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The P. & A. S. S. Co.'s str. *Strathfillan* is due to arrive at Hongkong to-day morning.

The Danish str. *Siam* left Vladivostock on the 21st instant p.m., and may be expected here to-morrow a.m.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s str. *Syria* left Singapore for this port on the 22nd instant, at noon, and is due here to-morrow at about 6 a.m.

The T.K.K. str. *Kiyo Maru* from South American ports, arrived at Honolulu, and left for Hongkong via Japan ports, on the 4th inst.

The Morni Line str. *Ghazee* sailed from the United Kingdom on the 5th instant for Hongkong via the Straits.

The N.Y.K. str. *Tosa Maru* (Bombay Line) left Singapore for this port on the 25th inst., and is expected here on the 31st instant.

The str. *Glencairn* left Suez on the 3rd instant, and is due here on or about the 5th prox.

The O.S.K. str. *Tacoma Maru* from Tacoma arrived at Yokohama on the 25th instant, left thence for this port via Kobe and Manila on the 27th instant, and is expected to arrive here on or about the 12th prox.

The O.S.K. str. *Panama Maru* left Victoria, B.C., for this port via Japan and Shanghai on the 21st instant, and is due here on the 23rd prox.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.
Per *Shimona*, from Shanghai, Mr. Morton.
Per *Prinz Waldemar*, from Yokohama, Mr. A. Seddo.

Per *Rubi*, from Manila, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Raines, Mrs. Oakley, Mr. B. Ormsby, Messrs. S. Japier, Lack, A. P. Winston and E. E. Elser.

Per *Tamino*, from Manila, Mrs. P. F. Dessor, Master Dessor and servant, M. S. M. Mearns, Mr. J. Rothschild, Mr. A. Stellingwerf, Mr. E. L. Pintham, Mr. J. L. Otero, Mr. E. E. Elser, Mr. R. C. Harrison, Mr. A. W. Cole, Mr. K. Yasuo, Mr. M. Ryazo, Mr. S. Kengiro and Mr. T. Fugio.

DEPARTED.

Per *Haiyang*, for Swatow, Messrs. I. F. Edwards, S. Winter, A. Turner and G. C. Moxon; for Amoy, Mr. B. J. Barlow and Mr. L. Giles; for Foochow, Dr. and Mrs. Taylor, and Miss Lee.

PASSENGERS EXPECTED.

Per N.Y.K. str. *Iyo Maru*, from London on the 24th December—Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Frost, Miss C. Frost, Master R. Frost, Mr. A. E. Wilman, Mr. and Mrs. Eldridge, Master T. Eldridge, Master F. Eldridge, Mr. F. W. S. Evans, Mr. F. A. Garden, Mr. M. Kono, Mr. T. Yanagai, Mr. Z. Uno, Mr. Y. Ishizuka, Mrs. McDowell and 2 children, Lieut. T. Matsumoto, Messrs. S. Kobayashi, T. Toyoshima, I. Matsuo and T. Matsumoto.

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SECTIONS.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4. From Naval Yard to East Point

DESTINATION.	VESSEL'S NAMES.	FLAG & B.I.O.	BERTH	CAPTAIN.	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DISPATCHED
LONDON & ANTWERP	PEMBROKESHIRE	Brit. str.	—	R. Hayes	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	About 10th Feb.
LONDON, &c., VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL	DELHI	Brit. str.	—	H. S. Bradshaw	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 4th Feb., at Noon
COPENHAGEN & BALTIK PORTS	NURIA	Swed. str.	—	F. J. Fox	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 8th Feb.
ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & ANTWERP, &c.	SIAM	Swed. str.	—	—	MELCHERS & CO.	About middle of Jan.
ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & ANTWERP, &c.	NISSON	Swed. str.	k. w.	Girstenbriu	OLOF WIJK CO., LTD.	Beginning of Feb.
ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	BRISGAVIA	Ger. str.	—	—	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	To-day
HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG, &c.	LIBERIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	—	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 16th Feb.
MARSEILLES, HAMBURG & ANTWERP	SEGOVIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Peter	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 2nd Feb.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SAXONIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Sachs	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 15th Feb.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	HITACHI MARU	Ger. str.	k. w.	Bahle	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 10th Feb.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	MIYASAKI MARU	Ger. str.	k. w.	T. Yamawaki	NISSON YUSEN KAISHA	On 1st Feb., at D'light
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SEPIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	T. Murai	NISSON YUSEN KAISHA	On 15th Feb., at D'light
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	KITANO MARU	Ger. str.	k. w.	E. Cope	NISSON YUSEN KAISHA	On 23rd Feb., at D'light
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	DEEPFLINGER	Ger. str.	—	G. Meiners	MELCHERS & CO.	On 1st Mar., at D'light
NEW YORK	SHIMOSA	Brit. str.	—	—	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	On 8th Feb., at Noon.
NEW YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	KATUNA	Brit. str.	—	—	SHEWAN, TOME & CO.	To-day
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	EMPERESS OF INDIA	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 11th Feb., at 7 A.M.
MONTEAGLE	MONTEAGLE	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 13th April, at Noon
—	—	—	—	K. Sato	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 22nd Feb., at Noon
—	—	—	—	S. Ishikawa	NISSON YUSEN KAISHA	On 28th Feb., at Noon
—	—	—	—	G. B. McGill	THE BANK LINE, LIMITED	On 9th Feb.
—	—	—	—	H. Nishi	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 21st Feb., at Noon.
—	—	—	—	W. W. Greene	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	To-day, at 1 P.M.
—	—	—	—	—	PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.	On 4th Feb., at 1 P.M.
—	—	—	—	—	PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.	On 11th Feb., at 1 P.M.
—	—	—	—	F. Isoko	MELCHERS & CO.	To-day, at 5 P.M.
—	—	—	—	L. Dawson	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 7th Feb., at 4 P.M.
—	—	—	—	M. Winckler	NISSON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th Feb., at Noon
—	—	—	—	T. Sekine	NISSON YUSEN KAISHA	On 2nd Feb., at 11 A.M.
—	—	—	—	R. Takeda	MELCHERS & CO.	About 7th Feb.
—	—	—	—	D. Lenz	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 3rd Feb., at 8 A.M.
—	—	—	—	T. Sekine	NISSON YUSEN KAISHA	On 15th Feb., at Noon
—	—	—	—	Zwart	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN	Quick despatch.
—	—	—	—	W. D. Welsh	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	On 1st Feb., at Noon.
—	—	—	—	D. C. Gregor, R.N.R.	MELCHERS & CO.	About 29th Inst.
—	—	—	—	—	P. O. S. N. CO.	Beginning of Jan.
—	—	—	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	To-day, at Noon.
—	—	—	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	To-day, at midnight
—	—	—	—	—	NISSON YUSEN KAISHA	On 1st Feb.
—	—	—	—	—	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 2nd Feb.
—	—	—	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	About 3rd Feb.
—	—	—	—	—	P. & O. S. N. CO.	About 8th Feb.
—	—	—	—	—	MELCHERS & CO.	Middle of Feb.
—	—	—	—	—	OLOF WIJK & CO., LTD.	On 10th Feb.
—	—	—	—	—	JAVI-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN	Quick despatch.
—	—	—	—	—	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	To-day, at Noon.
—	—	—	—	—	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 1st Feb., at 8 A.M.
—	—	—	—	—	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at 10 A.M.
—	—	—	—	—	DOUGLAS LAPPRAK & CO.	On 3rd Feb., at 11 A.M.
—	—	—	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	To-day, at Noon.
—	—	—	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	To-day, at Noon.
—	—	—	—	—	SHEWAN, TOME & CO.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
—	—	—	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 4th Feb., at Noon.
—	—	—	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	On 8th Feb., at 4 P.M.
—	—	—	—	—	MELCHERS & CO.	About middle of Feb.
—	—	—	—	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 7th Feb.
—	—	—	—	—	DAVID SASSOON & CO., LTD.	To-morrow, at Daylight
—	—	—	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	On 3rd Feb., at Noon.
—	—	—	—	—	—	Quick despatch

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SHANGHAI	JARCADIA, CAPT. S. BARTON	About 3rd Feb.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS	DELHI, CAPT. H. S. BRADSHAW	Noon, 4th Feb.	See Special of Call.
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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	"FENGTIEN"	On 28th Jan., NOON.
HAIPHONG	"SINGAN"	On 28th Jan., NOON.
MANILA, ILOILO & CEBU	"TAMING"	On 23rd Jan., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"ANHUI"	On 23rd Jan., Mid-night
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	"TAIWAN"	On 7th Feb., 4 P.M.

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DESTINATION	STEAMERS	DATE OF SAILINGS
COPENHAGEN	"NIPPON" ...	Beginning of February
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"YEDDO" ...	Middle of February.
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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MANILA	"LOONGSANG" ...	Saturday, 28th Jan., Noon.
WEIHAIWEI	"SUISANG" ...	Wednesday, 1st Feb., Noon.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & MOJI	"HANGSANG" ...	Wednesday, 1st Feb., Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"NAMSANG" ...	Thursday, 2nd Feb., Noon.
MANILA	"POOKSANG" ...	Friday, 3rd Feb., Noon.
FOR THE MANILA CARNIVAL.	"YUENSANG" ...	Saturday, 4th Feb., Noon.

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CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

Monday next, the 30th inst., being Chinese New Year Day, the Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. only. There will be no delivery or collection of letters from the pillar boxes. On Tuesday the 31st instant, the Post Office will remain open until the despatch of the French Mail for Europe at noon.

In the event of the arrival of the French Mail from Europe on either day, the Office will remain open one hour for the delivery thereof.

The Money Order Office will be closed on both days.

Only fully prepaid letters and postcards are transmissible by the SIBERIAN Route to EUROPE.

The Mongolia, with the American Mail, is due to arrive here on Friday, the 3rd proximo.

The Chefoo, with the Siberian Mail, is due to arrive here to-morrow.

The Salazie, with the French Mail, of the 30th December, left Singapore on Tuesday, the 24th instant, at 6 a.m. and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 31st instant.

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Printed Matter and Samples ... 11.00 a.m.
Registration ... 10.15 a.m.
(Registration with late fee of 10 cents up to 11.00 a.m.)

Registration, Kowloon B.O. ... 10.30 P.M.
No late fee.

Letters ... NOON
Saturday, 28th, 1.15 P.M.
Saturday, 28th, 3.00 P.M.
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China Provident, Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd. ...
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TO-DAY
11.30 A.M.—Fourteenth Ordinary Meeting of
China Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.

9 P.M.—Dramatic Entertainment "Falsely
Accused" at St. Joseph's College.

9.15 P.M.—Boxing at City Hall.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS
Monday, 30th Jan.—China New Year.

Saturday, 4th Feb.—Tenth Ordinary Meeting
of The Hongkong Land Reclamation Co.,
Ltd., NOON.

Tuesday, 21st Feb.—Eighty-Ninth Ordinary
Half-Yearly Meeting of H.K. C. M. Steam-
boat Co., Ltd., NOON.

Wednesday, 1st Thursday, 1st and 2nd March—
Annual Show of Hongkong Horticultural
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January 20th.

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persian fine quality ... \$1,400/1,500 "
persian extra fine ... \$2,000 " "
Persia New ... \$2,675 per chest.
Persia Old ... \$2,650 "
Barazans New ... \$2,620 "
Barazans Old ... " "

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EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

January 27th.

ON LONDON.—
Telegraphic Transfer ... 1.95
Bank Bills, on demand ... 1.94
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight ... 1.94
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight ... 1.94
Credits, at 4 months' sight ... 1.94
Documentary Bills 4 months' sight ... 1.94

ON PARIS.—
Bank Bills, on demand ... 2.28
Credits, at 4 months' sight ... 2.32

ON GERMANY.—
On demand ... 1.85

ON NEW YORK.—
Bank Bills, on demand ... 44
Credits, at 60 days' sight ... 45

ON BOMBAY.—
Telegraphic Transfer ... 1.34
Bank, on demand ... 1.34

ON CALCUTTA.—
Telegraphic Transfer ... 1.34
Bank, on demand ... 1.34

ON SHANGHAI.—
Bank, at sight ... 7.44
Private, 30 days' sight ... 7.58

ON YOKOHAMA.—On demand ... 8.92

ON MANILA.—On demand—Pesos ... 8.92

ON SINGAPORE.—On demand ... 7.77

ON BATAVIA.—On demand ... 10.83

ON HAIPHONG.—On demand ... 1.17 p.m.
On SAIGON.—On demand ... 1.17 p.m.

ON BANGKOK.—On demand ... 854

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